Fare hikes

4281. SHRI M. A. BABY:

SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the railways were utilising most of its funds for the upliftment of upper class comforts while it has been hiking second class 'fares; and

(b) what is the percentage of earnings by upper class and second class fare hikes in the last two financial years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Percentage of earnings estimated through fare hike during the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 are as under: —

Class	Year	Percenage of earnngs raised through hike in fares.
1. Upper Class	1991-92	22%
	1992-93	13%
2. Second Class	1991-92-	78%
	1992-93	87%

Railway bridge over Yamuna behind the Red Fort

4282. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) when the Railway bridge over Yamuna behind the Red Fort was constructed;

(b) whether any life span of this bridge was fixed;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the life-span of this bridge has already expired;

(e) whether railway journey over this expired bridge is very risky to lives of travelling passengers;

(f) whether Government propose to take some action in this regard imme diately; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) In 1866.

(b) No particular life span has been specified.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) and (g) Do not arise.

Setting up Divisional Offices in U.P..

4283. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

da) the total number of divisional offices set up in Uttar Pradesh with places of location and criteria for setting up of such offices;

(b) whether Government propose to set up some more divisional offices in Uttar Pradesh during 1993 and 1994;

(c) if so, the details thereof and *it* not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Uttar Pradesh is being covered under two Zonal offices of Railways;

(e) whether Government propose to set up one more Zonal Office in Uttar Pradesn for the convenience and efficiency of administrative work; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE DT THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS